Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, Jo Lynne Ford, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, was honored in November of 2006 by Congresswoman Jo Ann Emerson with the Emerson Spirit Award for her twenty-six years of service to Team Emerson; and

Whereas, Jo Lynne Ford began volunteering at an early age, as her parents were involved in politics, and she started working for Bill Emerson's first 1980 campaign and has been involved in every Bill Emerson and Jo Ann Emerson campaign since; and

Whereas, Jo Lynne Ford has probably stuffed more letters, addressed more envelopes, worn out more pairs of shoes walking in parades, and made more phone calls than anyone else in the Eight Congressional District; and

Whereas, a highlight of Jo Lynne Ford's volunteer career was traveling to Washington, D.C. to see Ronald Reagan's 1984 inauguration; and

Whereas, political volunteer work has always been a labor of love and dedication for Jo Lynne Ford; and

Whereas, Jo Lynne Ford is a member of the Cape County Republican Women, the Red Cross, and is active in her church, the Westminster Presbyterian Church, in Cape Girardeau:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our congratulations to Jo Lynne Ford on the auspicious occasion of garnering the Spirit Award; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Jo Lynne Ford, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Offered by	
·	Representative Nathan D. Cooper, Dist. #158
	Representative Scott A. Lipke, Dist. #157
	Representative Ellen Brandom, Dist. #160
	Representative Billy Pat Wright, Dist. #159

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1027, adopted March 6, 2007.